## **Appendix N**



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# **List of Partnerships**

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Partnerships are the foundation of all the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge's conservation, recreation, and education work. By collaborating with others, our efforts are more effective and have longer lasting and greater positive impacts on the Connecticut River watershed's rich natural, cultural, and economic resources. Together, we can also offer a greater range of nature-based recreational and environmental education opportunities. This appendix lists some of the partners that the Silvio O. Conte Refuge works with to achieve our mutual conservation, recreation, and education goals. This list is not meant to be exhaustive, but rather to highlight the extent and importance of the network of conservation partnerships that exists in the Connecticut River watershed. Many additional partnerships were suggested to us during the review period on the draft. We look forward to exploring those new relationships. Finally, we apologize to any groups that may have been inadvertently left off this list.

## **Federal Agencies**

- Green Mountain National Forest http://www.fs.usda.gov/greenmountain
- National Park Service http://www.nps.gov/index.htm
- U.S. Department of Agriculture National Resources Conservation Service http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/
- U.S. Department of Agriculture U.S. Forest Service http://www.fs.fed.us/
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers http://www.usace.army.mil/
- U.S. Department of Commerce National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration http://www.noaa.gov
- U.S. Department of Transportation http://www.dot.gov/
- U.S. Department of Defense http://www.defense.gov/
- U.S. Geological Survey http://www.usgs.gov/
- White Mountain National Forest http://www.fs.usda.gov/whitemountain

## **Multi-agency and Organization Groups**

- Connecticut River Atlantic Salmon Commission https://www.fws.gov/r5crc/who/crasc.html
- Cooperative Invasive Species Management Areas Partnerships https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Silvio\_O\_Conte/what\_we\_do/invasivespartners.html
- Connecticut River Joint Commissions http://www.crjc.org/

- North Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative http://www.northatlanticlec.org/
- Connect the Connecticut Landscape Conservation Design Partnership http://connecttheConnectictut.org
- Northeast Climate Science Center http://www.doi.gov/csc/northeast/index.cfm

#### **State of Connecticut Agencies**

- Department of Energy and Environmental Protection http://www.ct.gov/deep/
- Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station http://www.ct.gov/caes/

### **State of Massachusetts Agencies**

- Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dfg/
- Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation
- http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/
- Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources
- http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/agr/

## **State of New Hampshire Agencies**

- New Hampshire Fish and Game http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/
- New Hampshire Bureau of Trails https://www.nhstateparks.org/about-us/Trails/
- New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food http://agriculture.nh.gov/
- New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services http://des.nh.gov/

## **State of Vermont Agencies**

- Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department http://www.vtfishandwildlife.com/
- Vermont Agency of Natural Resources http://anr.vermont.gov/

#### **Towns and Local Governments**

- Connecticut River Gateway Commission http://www.ctrivergateway.org/
- Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District http://www.vacd.org/conservation-districts/essex-county

- Lower CT River Valley Council of Governments http://www.rivercog.org/
- Local conservation commissions throughout the watershed
- Town selectboards and municipal governments in towns and cities with refuge lands

#### **Non-governmental Conservation Organizations and Groups**

- Audubon Connecticut http://ct.audubon.org/
- Center for Northern Forest Research http://cnfr.us/index.php
- Connecticut River Watershed Council http://www.ctriver.org/
- Farmington River Watershed Association http://frwa.org/
- Harvard Forest http://harvardforest.fas.harvard.edu/
- Highstead Foundation http://highstead.net/
- Linking Lands Alliance https://www.facebook.com/Linking-Lands-Alliance-175078792554303/
- Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic River http://lowerfarmingtonriver.org/
- Massachusetts Audubon Society http://www.massaudubon.org/
- Monadnock Conservancy http://www.monadnockconservancy.org/
- National Wildlife Refuge Association http://refugeassociation.org/
- New England Wildflower Society www.newenglandwild.org/
- NH Audubon http://www.nhaudubon.org/
- NH Timberland Owners Association http://www.nhtoa.org/
- Northeast Kingdom Audubon http://nekaudubon.net/
- Orange County Headwaters Project http://orangecountyheadwaters.org/
- Park Watershed, Connecticut http://www.parkwatershed.org/

- Quabbin to Cardigan Collaborative http://q2cpartnership.org/
- Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests http://www.forestsociety.org/
- The Conservation Fund http://www.conservationfund.org/
- The Nature Conservancy http://www.nature.org/
- The Trust for Public Land http://www.tpl.org/
- The Trustees of Reservations http://www.thetrustees.org/
- Trout Unlimited http://www.tu.org/
- Upper Valley Land Trust http://www.uvlt.org/
- Upper Valley Trail Alliance http://www.uvtrails.org/
- Vermont Land Trust http://www.vlt.org/

#### **Recreational Groups**

- Appalachian Mountain Club http://www.outdoors.org/
- Connecticut River Paddlers' Trail http://www.connecticutriverpaddlerstrail.org/
- Putney Mountain Association http://www.putneymountain.org/
- Northern Forrest Canoe Trail http://www.northernforestcanoetrail.org/
- Vermont Association of Snow Travelers http://www.vtvast.org/

## **Environmental Education Groups and Centers**

- Great Falls Discovery Center http://greatfallsdiscoverycenter.org/
- Great Northwoods Visitor Center http://www.fws.gov/r5soc/come\_visit/great\_northwoods\_center.html
- Montshire Museum of Science http://www.montshire.org/

- Northwoods Stewardship Center http://www.northwoodscenter.org/
- Siskin Ecological Adventures http://siskinea.org/
- Springfield Museums http://www.springfieldmuseums.org/
- Vermont Institute of Natural Science http://www.vinsweb.org/

#### **Academic Institutions**

- Mount Holyoke College https://www.mtholyoke.edu/
- Smith College http://smith.edu/
- University of Connecticut http://www.uconn.edu/
- University of Maine http://www.umaine.edu/
- University of Massachusetts http://www.umass.edu/
- University of New Hampshire http://www.unh.edu/
- University of Vermont http://www.uvm.edu/
- Westfield State University http://www.westfield.ma.edu/

#### **Refuge Friends Groups**

- Friends of the Connecticut River Paddlers Trail
- Friends of Fort River
- Friends of Great Falls Discovery Center
- Friends of the Nulhegan Basin
- Friends of Pondicherry Wildlife Refuge
- Friends of Roger Tory Peterson Unit
- Friends of Salmon River
- Friends of Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge (and its 70 member organizations)